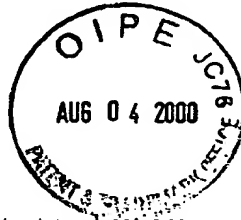# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE
RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Case Docket No. CM1431

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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT for the patent application:

Inventor(s): J.-F. Bodet, et al.

Serial No.: 09/341,979   Group Art Unit: 1751

Date Filed: July 21, 1999   Examiner: C. Ingersoll

Title: DETERGENT COMPOSITIONS WITH IMPROVED PHYSICAL STABILITY AT LOW TEMPERATURE

1. [X] No additional fee is known to be required.
2. [] The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(Col. 2) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(Col. 3) PRESENT EXTRA*	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY RATE	FEE
TOTAL	*	MINUS	**	=	x $18 =	$
INDEP.	*	MINUS	***	=	x $78 =	$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ $260 =	$
					TOTAL	$

*   If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.
**   If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
***   If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.
The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

3. [X] The Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR §1.136(a) to grant any extension of time needed for timely response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2000 in the above-identified application to preserve pendency of said application. The processing fee under 37 CFR §1.17 has been determined as follows: $0 for a zero-month extension of time.

4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

     a. [x] Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.16.
     b. [x] Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17.

5. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to make any additional copies of this sheet needed to accomplish the purposes provided for herein and to charge any fee for such copies to Deposit Account No. 16-2480.

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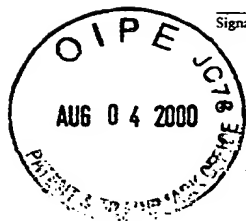Registration No. 26.598
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The Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION

In response to the Office Action of June 6, 2000, made final, please amend the
above-identified Application and consider the following remarks in support of
patentability. It is submitted that the amendments should be entered since they place
the claims in condition for allowance, or remove issues on appeal, should an appeal
later prove necessary.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 1, as follows:

1.   (Twice Amended) [An aqueous] A clear liquid detergent composition
     comprising from 30% to 70% by weight of the total composition of water, 0.1%
     to 2%, by weight of total composition, of magnesium ions and a surfactant
     mixture consisting of [comprising]:
              [-]i) an alkyl alkoxy sulphate surfactant of the formula $R_1O(A)_xSO_3M$,
                   where R_1 is an alkyl or alkenyl group having 9 to 16 carbon atoms, A
                   is an alkoxy group, x represents 0.5 to 3 in average, and M is a